

hermit, whose hair and beard covered all his body, having got a great deal of money by shewing of them, encouraged others to come; whereupon several of them joining together, hired the ship to fetch away the Hermit, and what else they could find; therefore brought with them tools to cut down your house, which they intended to make a drinking-booth of; and guns to shoot what they could not take alive: I was upon the rock when the storm arose that dashed their boat to pieces against it, and was overset by the same sea, under the flat-bottomed boat, where you found me.

Now having company, he is obliged to enlarge his bed, the lodge being wanted for his antelopes against breeding time. He adds therefore to his mats. His other provisions also wanting to be augmented, and he having both tools and boards out of the flat-bottomed boat, which he had taken to-pieces, he and the lad went about making large boxes to salt flesh and fish in; then with the boards that were left, they made a table for his kitchen; as also shelves in the room of those that were made of wicker: then having recruited his shell utensils, that were stolen from him the year before, he was completely furnished with all manner of con-

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veniences; and Providence supplying him daily with other necessities, there was no room left for his wishes. In this most happy state they lived in peace and concord, the space of ten years, unanimously doing what was to be done, as it lay in their ways, without relying upon each other.

Quarll, who before, though alone and deprived of society (the principal comfort of life) thought himself blessed, now cannot express his happiness, there being none in the world to be compared with it, heartily praying he might find no alteration till death; but the young man not having met with so many disappointments in the world as he, had not quite withdrawn his affections from it; his mind sometimes will now and then run upon his native country, where he has left his relations, and where he cannot help wishing to be himself; an opportunity of this offered one day as he went to get oysters, to make sauce for some fish, and he went away without taking his leave of him he had received so much good from. Quarll having waited some time, feared some accident had befallen him, so leaves his cooking, and goes to see for him; being come to the place where he was to get the oysters, he sees the bag and instrument lie and no body